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PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Assistant Commissioner for Patents Washington, D. C. 20231

Sir:

Applicant hereby petitions the Assistant Commissioner for Patents to extend the time for filing a Reply to the Notice to Comply dated March 15, 2000 for three months from April 15, 2000 to July 15, 2000.

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| 1 month - | \$ 55 | \$ 110 |
| 2 months - | \$ 190 | \$ 380 |
| 3 months - | <u>X</u> \$ 435 | \$ 870 |
| 4 months - | \$ 680 | \$1,360 |
| 5 months - | \$ 925 | \$1,850 |

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Respectfully submitted,

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